



IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:

DAMARI et al.

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Title: **METHOD FOR FREEZING, THAWING AND TRANSPLANTATION OF VIABLE CARTILAGE**

AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
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Dear Commissioner:

This Amendment is responsive to the non-final Official Action issued in the above-identified patent application dated March 30, 2009, along with a Petition for a two-month extension of time, making a response due to be filed with the United States Patent and Trademark Office on or before August 30, 2009. Accordingly, this Amendment is timely filed.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 7 of this paper.

Conclusion appears at page 19 of this paper.